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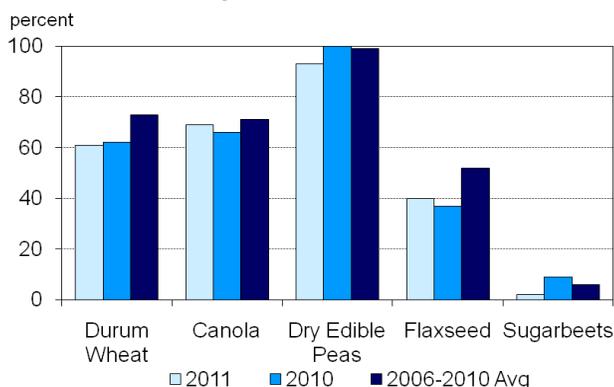
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General: Another week of warm, dry weather pushed harvest progress and crop development, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service, North Dakota Field Office. Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 2 percent very short, 16 short, 72 adequate, and 10 surplus while subsoil moisture supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 8 short, 76 adequate, and 15 surplus. Statewide, on average, there were 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork.

Crops: The small grain harvest neared completion this week in many areas. As of September 11, barley was 93 percent harvested. Durum wheat was 98 percent turning and 61 percent harvested. Spring wheat was 82 percent harvested. Oats were 88 percent harvested. Canola was 92 percent swathed and 69 percent harvested. Ninety-nine percent of the corn crop had reached the dough stage, behind 100 percent at this point last year but ahead of 90 percent for the five-year average. Corn for silage was 10 percent chopped. Dry edible beans were 99 percent fully podded, 83 percent had lower leaves yellowing, 56 percent were dropping leaves, and 7 percent had been cut. Dry edible peas were 93 percent harvested. Flaxseed was 97 percent turning and 40 percent harvested. As of September 11, forty-eight percent of potatoes had vines killed, and 7 percent were dug. Soybeans were 98 percent fully podded, 48 percent had lower leaves yellowing, and 13 percent had dropped leaves. Seventy-three percent of sunflowers had ray flowers dropped, 32 percent had bracts turned yellow, and 2 percent had bracts turned brown. Other activities during the week included spraying pesticides, cutting hay, and beginning preparations for winter wheat planting.

Livestock: Stockwater supplies were rated 3 percent short, 72 adequate, and 25 surplus. Pasture and range conditions were rated 1 percent very poor, 5 poor, 23 fair, 53 good, and 18 excellent. The second cutting of alfalfa was 95 percent complete. Cutting of other hay was estimated at 95 percent complete.

Crops Harvested
North Dakota: September 11, 2011



Crop and Pasture Condition North Dakota: September 11, 2011

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Durum wheat.....	-	5	33	51	11
Canola	-	6	22	61	11
Corn.....	2	8	22	53	15
Dry edible beans	4	11	30	44	11
Flaxseed	-	6	29	56	9
Potatoes.....	6	11	23	46	14
Soybeans.....	2	7	22	55	14
Sugarbeets	2	8	26	57	7
Sunflower.....	-	4	21	68	7
Pasture and range ...	1	5	23	53	18

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress – North Dakota

(Percentages represent all acreage in or beyond each stage. Progress is based on current intended acreage.)

Crop	Sept 11, 2011 (percent)	Sept 4, 2011 (percent)	Sept 11, 2010 (percent)	2006-2010 Average (percent)
Barley				
Harvested.....	93	77	97	95
Durum wheat				
Turning.....	98	91	100	100
Harvested.....	61	32	62	73
Spring wheat				
Harvested.....	82	65	84	85
Oats				
Harvested.....	88	64	94	94
Canola				
Swathed.....	92	87	97	95
Harvested.....	69	49	66	71
Corn, all				
Dough	99	90	100	90
Dented	68	36	85	65
Mature.....	7	1	23	17
Corn for Silage				
Chopped	10	5	20	25
Dry edible beans				
Fully Podded.....	99	90	100	96
Lower Leaves Yellowing.....	83	56	97	86
Dropping Leaves.....	56	23	88	70
Cut	7	(NA)	34	31
Dry edible peas				
Harvested.....	93	79	100	99
Flaxseed				
Turning.....	97	88	100	99
Harvested.....	40	19	37	52
Potatoes				
Vines Killed.....	48	22	58	60
Dug	7	1	14	18
Soybeans				
Fully Podded.....	98	88	100	98
Lower Leaves Yellowing.....	48	16	69	69
Dropping Leaves.....	13	(NA)	33	37
Sugarbeets				
Lifted.....	2	-	9	6
Sunflower				
Ray Flowers Dried/Dropped ..	73	36	86	85
Bracts Turned Yellow	32	4	54	56
Bracts Turned Brown.....	2	(NA)	10	19

- Represents zero. (NA) Not available.

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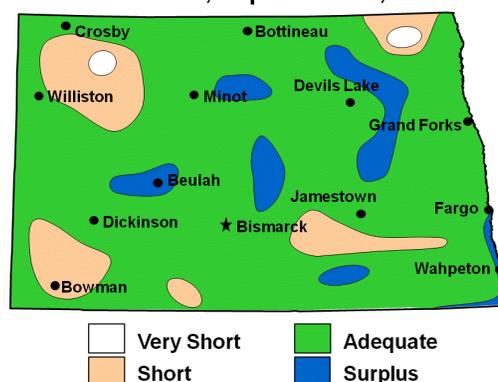
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Soil Moisture Supplies – North Dakota

Item	Sept 11, 2011	Sept 4, 2011	Sept 11, 2010	2006-2010 Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil				
Very Short..	2	1	-	11
Short	16	10	10	24
Adequate...	72	73	77	60
Surplus.....	10	16	13	5
Subsoil				
Very Short..	1	-	1	14
Short	8	4	11	27
Adequate...	76	73	75	55
Surplus.....	15	23	13	4

- Represents zero.

**Topsoil Moisture Supplies
 North Dakota, September 11, 2011**



Weather: Temperatures were above normal statewide. Precipitation was below normal across the state. Monday was dry with highs in the 70s to 80s. Highs on Tuesday were in the 70s to low 90s with dry conditions. Wednesday was dry with highs in the 80s. Thursday and Friday were dry with highs in the 80s to low 90s. Highs on Saturday were in the 80s with dry conditions. Sunday was dry with highs in the mid-80s to low 90s.

Outlook, September 12-18: Temperatures will be near normal. Precipitation will be below normal across much of the state. High temperatures will be in the mid-60s to mid-70s with a chance of showers in the north. There will be a chance of showers in the north central, northeast and parts of the southwest on Tuesday with highs in the upper 50s to 60s. Wednesday will be dry with highs in the 50s. Highs on Thursday will be in the mid-50s to low 60s with dry conditions. Friday will be dry with highs in the mid-60s to mid-70s. There will be a chance of showers across much of the state on Saturday with highs in the upper 60s to mid-70s. The chance of showers will continue in the east on Sunday with highs in the 70s.

**Temperature & Precipitation: Districts and Stations
 North Dakota, Week ending September 11, 2011**

District Averages	Average Temperature		Seasonal Precipitation Beginning April 1 ¹		
	Past Week	Depart Normal ²	Past Week	Total	Depart Normal ²
	(degrees F)	(degrees F)	(inches)	(inches)	(inches)
Northwest(1)	68	9	0.00	15.31	3.71
N. Central(2)	66	8	0.00	13.77	0.98
Northeast (3)	65	6	0.00	13.39	0.66
W. Central(4)	67	7	0.00	14.97	3.35
Central (5)	65	4	0.00	16.23	3.75
E. Central(6)	66	6	0.00	17.07	2.99
Southwest(7)	66	5	0.00	14.83	3.82
S. Central(8)	65	4	0.00	15.93	3.94
Southeast(9)	65	4	0.00	17.02	3.08

¹ Precipitation amounts may vary due to an inaccurate snowfall melt.
² Normal is the 1971-2000 average. Weather data collected from NDAWN stations and compiled by UND Aerospace Regional Weather Information Center.

**Temperature & Precipitation: Districts and Stations
 North Dakota, Week ending September 11, 2011**

Stations by District	Temperature past week		Seasonal precipitation beginning April 1 ¹		
	High	Low	Past week	Total	Depart normal ²
	(degrees F)	(degrees F)	(inches)	(inches)	(inches)
(1) Bowbells.....	87	51	0.00	15.52	3.40
Williston.....	88	48	0.00	13.17	3.53
Mohall.....	88	46	0.00	16.21	3.98
Minot.....	87	51	0.00	16.35	3.95
(2) Baker.....	87	44	0.00	14.79	2.49
Bottineau.....	89	42	0.00	13.01	-0.16
Rugby.....	87	47	0.00	13.50	0.60
(3) Cando.....	88	45	0.00	13.43	1.80
Cavalier.....	92	45	0.00	13.47	0.31
Forest River....	88	45	0.00	14.26	1.60
Grand Forks....	88	42	0.00	14.75	1.82
Langdon.....	84	44	0.00	9.44	-3.90
St. Thomas.....	86	43	0.00	15.01	2.35
(4) Hazen.....	88	47	0.00	17.44	5.71
Turtle Lake.....	87	46	0.00	11.69	-0.52
Watford City....	89	50	0.00	15.77	4.87
(5) Carrington.....	87	46	0.00	18.37	4.30
Harvey.....	87	44	0.00	11.74	0.98
Jamestown.....	85	41	0.00	17.61	4.70
Robinson.....	85	46	0.00	15.32	3.22
Streeter.....	86	46	0.00	18.10	5.54
(6) Dazey.....	87	42	0.00	16.91	2.76
Fargo.....	89	49	0.00	16.92	3.10
Hillsboro.....	89	42	0.00	17.37	3.12
(7) Beach.....	88	44	0.00	14.05	3.50
Bowman.....	87	42	0.00	17.88	7.23
Dickinson.....	86	48	0.00	13.83	2.22
Hettinger.....	87	46	0.00	13.55	2.34
(8) Mandan.....	86	43	0.00	17.82	5.39
Linton.....	86	45	0.00	14.04	2.50
(9) Edgeley.....	86	45	0.00	16.22	2.50
Oakes.....	86	44	0.00	16.48	3.37
Wyndmere.....	87	45	0.00	18.35	3.38

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